



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON
DISABILITIES
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
<http://laccod.org>**

Wednesday, February 20, 2013

1:00 PM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-0989)

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Call to Order. (13-0617)

President John B. Troost called the meeting to order at 1:11 p.m.

Present: President John B. Troost, Vice President Janet A. Neal, Treasurer Kecia Brooke Weller, Commissioner Edward A. Colley, Commissioner Steve Miller, Commissioner Maria Mustelier-Parrish, Commissioner Winslow C. Reitnouer and Commissioner Alexia Teran

Absent: Commissioner Wendy Welt Narro and Commissioner Sheila D. Wright

Excused: 2nd Vice President John R. James, Commissioner Wan Chun Chang, Commissioner Michael Gureckas and Commissioner Ruben Anthony Rios

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Approval of the Minutes from the meeting of January 16, 2013. (13-0593)

On motion of 1st Vice President Janet A. Neal, seconded by Commissioner Edward A. Colley, the approval of the regular meeting minutes of January 16, 2013 were duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - President John B. Troost, Vice President Janet A. Neal, Commissioner Edward A. Colley, Commissioner Steve Miller, Commissioner Maria Mustelier-Parrish, Commissioner Winslow C. Reitnouer and Commissioner Alexia Teran

Abstentions: 1 - Treasurer Kecia Brooke Weller

Absent: 3 - 2nd Vice President John R. James, Commissioner Wendy Welt Narro and Commissioner Sheila D. Wright

Excused: 3 - Commissioner Wan Chun Chang, Commissioner Michael Gureckas and Commissioner Ruben Anthony Rios

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2. Discussion and approval of the 2013 Access Awards Luncheon Budget. (13-0743)

On motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued without discussion to the March 20, 2013 meeting.

3. Approval to receive and file Access Services, Inc., "Board Box" Communication of January 18, 2013; and Revised Agenda for Access Services, Inc., Board of Directors January 28, 2013 meeting. (12-5603)

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, seconded by 1st Vice President Janet A. Neal, unanimously carried, this item was received and filed.

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4. Discussion and approval to purchase Compact Disk copies of audio recordings of the Commission on Disabilities' weekly Radio Show on KTYM 1460 AM, in an amount not to exceed \$200.00 annually, as requested by President John B. Troost at the meeting of January 16, 2013. (13-0605)

During discussion 1st Vice President Janet A. Neal noted the audio recordings could not be downloaded to the Commission on Disabilities website. However, they can be accessed through the janetsplanetla.blogspot.net website.

On motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, seconded by Commissioner Kecia B. Weller, unanimously carried, this item was approved.

II. REPORTS**5. President's Report. (13-0594)**

President John B. Troost reported that he and 1st Vice President Janet A. Neal met with Ms. Jacqueline Moreno of Supervisor Molina's Office, regarding dedicating the second floor ramp leading to the Grand Park, in memory of former Commissioner Ernest T. Hamilton, Jr. He will report back to the Commission on any developments.

He also welcomed the presenters from UCLA and the Registrar-Recorder's Office.

On motion of 1st Vice President Janet A. Neal, seconded by Commissioner Winslow C. Reitnouer, the report was received and filed.

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6. Monthly Report by Events' Committee Chair Janet A. Neal. (13-0595)

On motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued without discussion to the March 20, 2013 meeting.

7. Staff report on the possibility of including the unofficial transcripts provided by Total Recall of the Commission on Disabilities' Regular meetings minutes, as requested by 1st Vice President Janet A. Neal at the meeting of January 16, 2013. (13-0402)

On motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued without discussion to the March 20, 2013 meeting.

8. Monthly Report by Yvonne Price, ADA Compliance Administrator, Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority. (13-0598)

On motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued without discussion to the March 20, 2013 meeting.

9. Status Report by Giovanna Gogreve, ADA Paratransit Program Administrator for Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO), on malfunctioning elevators and the hours lost to non-operating elevators, as requested by Commissioner Colley at the meeting of January 16, 2013. (13-0601)

On motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued without discussion to the March 20, 2013 meeting.

10. Monthly Report by Louis Burns, Access Services Customer Support Administrator, Access Services Inc.; and status on contract between LA CARE and Access Services Incorporated, as requested by Vice President Janet A. Neal, at the meeting of January 16, 2013. (13-0604)

On motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued without discussion to the March 20, 2013 meeting.

III. PRESENTATIONS

11. Presentation by Julia Keh, Multi-Lingual Special Services and Efrain Escobedo, Governmental and Legislative Affairs Division Manager, Los Angeles County Office of the Registrar-Recorder, on voting accessibility during elections for people with disabilities, as requested by 1st Vice President Janet A. Neal. (Continued from the meeting of 11/21/12.) (12-4921)

Ms. Assenet Valdez, Representative of Governmental and Legislative Affairs and Ms. Julia Keh, Head, Community Services and Voting System Education and Outreach of the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder's Office provided a video and a Power Point presentation on voting accessibility for people with disabilities.

1st Vice President Janet A. Neal and Commissioners Miller, Teran and Weller commented on this item. Ms. Valdez and Ms. Keh responded to questions posed by the Commission.

President John B. Troost thanked Ms. Valdez and Ms. Keh for their presentations.

Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was received and filed.

12. Presentation on the effectiveness of Program for the Education and Enrichment of Relationship Skills (PEERS) at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA), by Dr. Elizabeth Laugeson. (13-0726)

Dr. Elizabeth A. Laugeson, Director, UCLA PEERS Clinic provided a video and a Power Point presentation on the effectiveness of the Program for the Education and Enrichment of Relationship Skills (PEERS) at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA).

President John B. Troost, 1st Vice President Janet A. Neal and Commissioners Teran, Miller and Weller commented on this item.

Commissioner Colley inquired, "How do we find ways of getting this needed information into local schools?" He concluded by asking Dr. Laugeson if she could follow-up with the Commission on ways to open public dialogue between parents and schools in order to make the PEERS program more accessible in Los Angeles County.

Joseph Deguerre addressed the Commission on this item.

President John B. Troost thanked Dr. Laugeson for her helpful information.

Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was received and filed.

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

13. Commissioners' announcements for February 2013. (13-0618)

On motion of Commissioner Edward A. Colley, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was continued without discussion to the March 20, 2013 meeting.

Matters Not Posted

14. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (12-5607)

The following items were introduced for discussion and placed on the agenda for consideration at a future meeting.

- 14A. Recommendation as submitted by Commissioner Colley: Approval of the Agenda for the meeting of March 20, 2013. (13-1053)

On motion of Commissioner Colley, and by common consent, there being no objection, (Commissioners Narro and Wright being absent; and 2nd Vice President James and Commissioners Chang, Gureckas and Rios being excused), this item was introduced for discussion and placed on the agenda for March 20, 2013.

Public Comment

15. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-0596)

No members of the public addressed the commission.

Adjournment

16. (13-0991)

President John B. Troost adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.